

Tell-Me-More Sentences Notes

*Tell-Me-More sentences provide more information than one body sentence would

*The purpose is to “tell” the reader more about your ideas

*In your paragraphs, after writing the body sentence (supporting detail), write another sentence that expands on what you wrote in some way

*Paragraphs that use Tell-Me-More sentences are **academic paragraphs**. Paragraphs that do not expand on ideas in this way are **simple paragraphs**. You will be expected to write academic paragraphs this year.

*Tell-Me-More sentences can include **evidence** to back up your arguments. (We will discuss this more next week but see Example B below as a sample sentence that uses the Tell-Me-More sentence in this way.)

Examples -- the T-M-M sentence is in BOLD:

a) *I really like cookies because there are so many different kinds to choose. **A few options are chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin, and peanut butter cookies.***

b) *Mama is my favorite character because she loves her children. **Even though she could have spent the \$10,000 on anything she wanted, Mama bought a house for her family and gave the remaining money to her children, Walter and Beneatha.***